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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE: GEORGE FAILING
COMPANY, ENID, OKLAHOMA

1. UNDP PROJECT MANAGER (DEKKER) AT ETHIOPIAN NATIONAL WATER RESOURCES COMMISSION (NWRC) HAS REQUESTED EMBASSY'S ASSISTANCE IN SPEEDING DELIVERY TIME FOR 2 IDA-FINANCED DRILLING RIGS TO BE USED FOR DROUGHT REHABILITATION PURPOSES IN WOLLO AND TIGRE. IT APPEARS THAT UNICEF HAD EARLIER ACCEPTED BID FROM GEORGE FAILING COMPANY, BOX 872, ENID, OKLAHOMA FOR TWO SIMILAR RIGS, WITH DELIVERY SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY, 1975. IN INTERESTS OF STANDARDIZATION, REGIONAL IBRD OFFICE HAS TOLD NWRC THAT IT MIGHT WAIVE NORMAL PROCEDURES AND ALLOW COMMISSION TO ORDER THEIR RIGS FROM SAME COMPANY. DEKKER REPORTS THAT UPON INQUIRY, PRELIMINARY QUOTATION SEEMED RIGHT, BUT THAT DELIVERY TIME MENTIONED WAS 12 MONTHS.

3. IN VIEW OF EQUIPMENT'S PURPOSE AND URGENCY OF REQUIREMENT, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT DISCUSSING MATTER WITH COMPANY TO DETERMINE WHETHER EARLIER DELIVERY POSSIBLE.
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